



Arts Learning Newsletter

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This online newsletter from the Arts Learning Department at the Arizona Commission on the Arts intends to provide you with current, important information from the Arts Learning and Teaching Artist fields and to support vital, substantive arts learning throughout the state. We look forward to serving your arts learning interests and needs.

Save the Date(s): Arts Commission Workshops Coming to a City Near You!

Beginning in January 2011, guest presenters and staff of the Arizona Commission on the Arts will move around the state to facilitate the Building an Artistic Future for Arizona community workshop series. This series of workshops includes a variety of offerings for artists, arts administrators, teaching artists, arts educators, arts advocates and more. For a list of the cities, dates and workshop offerings, visit http://www.azarts.gov/news-resources/news/save-the-dates-arts-commission-workshops-coming-to-a-city-near-you/.

3 Days Remain to Make a Nomination for the 2011 Governor's Arts Awards!

DEADLINE: December 3, 2010

The Governor's Arts Awards are presented annually by the Arizona Citizens for the Arts, the Arizona Commission on the Arts, and the Office of the Governor. Honorees are selected by a distinguished panel of Arizona artists, arts advocates and community leaders, and will be announced at a gala event on April 12th, 2011. This year the Arts Education category has been expanded to include both an Organization or School and an Individual. Consider making a nomination by visiting http://www.governorsartsawards.org/.

Awards

The Kennedy Center/Stephen Sondheim Inspirational Teacher Awards

DEADLINE: December 15, 2010

Each year, The Kennedy Center/Stephen Sondheim Inspirational Teacher Awards will solicit nominations from students, providing the opportunity to submit stories about teachers and professors who made a significant difference in their lives. View the nomination eligibility and frequently asked questions at the Kennedy Center website.

http://www.kennedy-center.org/programs/awards/sondheim/index.cfm

National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards DEADLINE: January 31, 2011

The President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Institute of Museum and Library Services, is pleased to invite applications for the 2011 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards, formerly the Coming Up Taller Awards. Awards recognize the accomplishments of exceptional arts and humanities after-school and out-of-school programs across the country.

http://www.nahyp.org/how-to-apply/

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On the Arizona Commission on the Arts Website

The Holiday Season Approaches: Are the Arts on Your List?

http://www.azarts.gov/news-resources/news/the-holiday-season-approaches-are-the-arts-on-your-list/

http://azarts.gov

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Media Coverage

Schools Integrate Dance into Core Academics

http://www.edweek.org/ew/articles/2010/11/17/12dance_ep.h30.html?tkn=QMCCWIRjHC%2F0slNDl4zZ8rXN8uhpy6nMmADy&cmp=clp-sb-ascd

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Current Research

Teaching Artists and Their Work Survey

The results of Teaching Artists and Their Work, a survey conducted by the Association of Teaching Artists, on what are meaningful, supportable, and sustainable environments for the work of a Teaching Artist, are now available. The focus of the survey, conducted between September 2009 and March 2010 was Teaching Artists' experiential knowledge.

http://www.teachingartists.com/

Project Tomorrow's Annual Speak Up Survey - Arts Educators Wanted!

DEADLINE: December 17, 2010

The Speak Up National Research Project is an online survey open to students, educators, future educators and parents that provides participating organizations with a quick and easy way to collect authentic feedback from their stakeholders and constituents on important education issues. This year's Speak Up survey is currently open and will close on Friday, December 17th. Students, parents and educators are encouraged to participate and give their input on what is important to them in education. You can participate in the survey at: http://www.speakup4schools.org/speakup2010/

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Upcoming Workshops

WEBINAR: Stronger Together: Creating a Collaborative Message on Arts in Education Policy and ESEA Reauthorization Tuesday, December 7, 2010 | 1:00 pm EST/10:00 am PST

This webinar, presented by KeepArtsinSchools.org, is an opportunity for parents, teachers, artists, administrators and other arts education advocates to be part of a diverse group of advocates working to develop a core, unified message platform to communicate the essential role of arts education. For webinar details and RSVP information, visit:

http://keepartsinschools.org/

The VSA Institute Saturday, January 22, 2011 | 9:00am - 4:00pm Mesa Historical Museum

The Arts and Inclusive Learning seminar is a one-day intensive that is part of the VSA arts Institute. Designed for teaching artists and educators, this interactive institute focuses on designing and delivering arts learning experiences that reach students of all abilities. Early bird registration ends December 31st; registration is limited to the first 50 participants. For more information and registration, visit: http://vsainstitute.eventbrite.com/?

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Opportunities

The Big Read Now Accepting Applications DEADLINE: February 1, 2011

The Big Read, a program of the National Endowment for the Arts in cooperation with Arts Midwest, is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations seeking funding to conduct month-long, community-wide reads between September 2011 and June 2012. The Big Read is a national program designed to revitalize the role of literature in American culture. To review the guidelines and application instructions, visit:

http://www.neabigread.org/application_process.php

FOR STUDENTS:

Free "Speak and Slam" Poetry Event for Students December 8, 6:30pm Phoenix Art Museum

In this second installation of original poetry and recitation, students can practice writing and performing original poetry or poems from the Poetry Out Loud anthology, and even work with a visiting poet on their writing and recitation. Practice performing in front of a live audience, or kick back to support your peers as we celebrate this art form. This poetry writing and recitation workshop/event is part of Phoenix Art Museum's free "Under 21" series; for more information, visit:

http://www.phxart.org/events/under21.php

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Resources

The Art Resource Center

The Art Resource Center is a local nonprofit corporation whose objective is to collect reusable materials from individuals and industries and offer them free of charge to schools and other nonprofit entities, such as community centers, charities, universities, colleges, religious institutions and home-schooled students, for the purpose of making art.

http://www.artresourcecenter.org/index.php

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Advocacy

Save the Date! - 2011 Arts Congress February 7, 2011

An Arizona Citizens for the Arts event, Arts Congress is an opportunity for arts and arts education supporters to speak directly with their elected officials about the impact and benefits of public funding for the arts in Arizona.

http://www.azcitizensforthearts.org/news.html

National Arts Advocacy Campaigns: Overview of Case Studies and Good Practice

Based on research and responses to a survey distributed in August 2009 by the International Federation of Arts Councils and Culture Agencies, this new report examines a range of lobbying, advertising and grassroots arts advocacy campaigns that national arts funding agencies have undertaken over the past decade, and explores which strategies raised awareness of the arts and which backfired. http://media.ifacca.org/files/Dart16advocacy.pdf

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Funding

Changes to NEA Grants for Arts Projects Application Guidelines The National Endowment for the Arts will be changing the application guidelines for the Grants for Arts Projects program. To help you plan for your application to the NEA in 2011, visit http://arts.endow.gov/grants/apply/2011-changes.html for a preview of some changes to the guidelines that will be posted on www.grants.gov in January 2011. Once the Grants for Arts Projects guidelines are posted in January, contact the discipline staff that is appropriate to your project for any questions (see "Agency Contacts").

Challenge to Innovate PHASE 2 - November 16 - January 14, 2011

In a new partnership, the Education Department's Open Innovation Portal will host the Challenge to Innovate (C2i), a three-phase challenge from the NEA Foundation. The first phase asked educators to share their most pressing classroom challenges. In Phase 2, you are invited to post your solution to any of the four selected challenges; winning solutions will be eligible for a \$2,500 award. For more information about the Challenge to Innovate and the Open Innovation Portal, visit:

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Pepsi Refresh Project

NEXT DEADLINE: December 15, 2010

The Pepsi-Cola Company is awarding \$5,000-250,000 to projects that make a difference in a community's health, arts, and education programs. The grant program uses an online democratic voting process and is open to individuals, for-profit organizations, and non-profit organizations.

http://www.refresheverything.com/how-it-works

Bank of the West Charitable Investments Program DEADLINE: December 31, 2010

Bank of the West's Commitment to Community Charitable Investments Program provides grants to local nonprofit organizations dedicated to improving quality of life, particularly for low- and moderate-income individuals and communities. Grants are made in four categories including Civic and Cultural, and various geographic locations including eight counties in Arizona.

https://www.bankofthewest.com/about-us/community-support/charitable-investments.html

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